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HALL TALK.

Splendid and Feasible Plan to Secure Buildings for Hibernians.

Suggested by John J. Cronen, Well-Known Louisville Electrician.

Would Place Irish Temples in All Large American Cities.

APPROVED BY THE COUNTY BOARD

For some months past there has been much talk in local Hibernian and Irish-American circles regarding the erection in this city of an Irish temple, where many societies could meet, that would be a credit to Louisville, mentioned heretofore in these columns. At the outset Division 1 of the Ancient Order of Hibernians subscribed about \$700 to the guarantee fund for this purpose, and since that time the sentiment in favor of the suggestion has grown with startling rapidity, and now all that seems necessary for the realization of the hopes of the originators of this laudable idea is the appointment of a committee of representative and hustling Irishmen with authority to proceed with the work of raising the necessary funds.

John J. Cronen, the well-known Third-street electrician and prominent and popular in the Hibernian organization, has long been a staunch advocate of some such measure, and at a large meeting held Tuesday night in Hibernian Hall eloquently urged the adoption of a plan, which has since been approved of by the County Board of Directors and Division 4, whereby the Ancient Order of Hibernians might within a few years acquire handsome buildings in all the leading cities of the United States and Canada with but little effort upon their part.

There are today about 120,000 members of the order in this country, and were the National Board of Directors to order a semi-annual assessment of fifty cents per member to be used for no other purpose, the amount thus raised would soon place in all the cities such buildings as they desired. While this sum seems very small, the amount that could be raised during the next ten years would assume most gigantic proportions. Of course, in the distribution of the fund the larger the membership the larger would be the amount provided, and this of itself would put every division in America to work to increase its members and therefore be entitled to the largest possible percentage of the money, and there is substantial grounds for the belief that before the first ten years rolled by there would be at least 500,000 men enrolled in the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

All those who heard Mr. Cronen present his plan pronounced it the most feasible and practical ever suggested and were proud that it came from Louisville. At the meeting of the County Board of Directors this week Secretary William Meehan was instructed to communicate with President John Keating and the National Board of Directors, informing them of the action taken here and urging them to approve and submit the same to all the divisions under their jurisdiction.

The reporter for the Kentucky Irish American interviewed members of the four divisions this week, all but one declaring themselves heartily in favor of the new idea. The single one opposed explained that he wanted a home for Hibernians erected here immediately, and were he assured that one could be obtained without too long delay he would earnestly support and contribute to any plan that met general approval.

One thing seems assured, however, and that is that the Hibernians of this city will not long be without buildings of their own.

O'CONNELL'S FEE BOOK.

The Trustees of the National Library of Ireland have just purchased the fee book of Daniel O'Connell. This little volume in its hundred or so of pages of parallel columns laboriously prepared by the hand of the liberator himself shows in pounds, shillings and pence his early struggles. O'Connell was called to the Irish bar in 1798—the year of the rebellion—and seven days later he got his first brief—from a brother-in-law—who retained him to draft a declaration on a promissory note. The only other business he got that year was also given to him by a kinsman—a cousin—and it was of the same kind. The fee on each occasion was £1 2s 9d. It was in one of his earliest cases that O'Connell made the retort that attracted attention to him. He was cross-examining an awkward witness, who declared that he had drunk nothing but his share of a pint of whisky. "On your oath, now," thundered the young counsel "was not your share all but the pewter?"

O'Connell's fee book is an interesting record of his rapid rise in the profession. For the first year, as we have seen, his income amounted to only £2 5s 6d. Next year he earned over £60 and the year after he made over £400. According to memoranda made in his own handwriting his income in 1803 was £465 and in the following years £775, £840, £1,077, £1,113, £2,198, £2,736, £2,951, £3,047

and £3,808, respectively. This record throws much light on the incomes at the Irish bar nearly 100 years ago, for in 1812, when O'Connell was making nearly £4,000 a year, he was still quite a young man.

MICHAEL J. SWEENEY.

His Hotel Is Now Among the Most Popular in This Metropolis.

The heartiest laugh in the city comes from the lips of Michael J. Sweeney, the genial proprietor of the Trebing's Hotel on Market street, between Sixth and Seventh. There is never a time when he



BONIFACE MIKE SWEENEY.

is not in a good humor, and in his big body there is a heart to match. He is the friend of every one, and one might walk miles in the city of Louisville and not find a man who would say a word against Mike Sweeney.

Mike Sweeney is a Louisville man. He began his career as a machinist for Brennan & Co., where he worked for several years and saved his money. Later he opened a saloon at the corner of Eighth and Market streets, where he made money and friends as well, and there was never a time that the place was not crowded day and night.

After several years of prosperity he decided to get into the hotel business and purchased the Trebing Hotel, where he is now located. Since taking hold of the place he has almost completely remodeled it, and the former patrons will hardly recognize it. Beautiful oak carved doors are placed in the front part, where the office has been established, and popular Billy Turner presides over it. Then the rooms have been rejuvenated and nicer ones can be found at any hotel in the city. The table is all that could be desired, and no one ever goes away hungry or dissatisfied. The bar is one of the most complete to be found anywhere, and there is nothing in the way of damp goods that can not be found there.

"I have started off on the new year in great shape," said Mr. Sweeney to a reporter for the Kentucky Irish American, "and if it only keeps up as it has begun I will be satisfied. My hotel is becoming better known every day and whenever a man stops here once I am sure of getting him again. All of my old friends are gradually finding out where I am and they are calling to see me daily. But I never have anything to kick about. Fate is kind to me. I think I must have made a mash on her when I was a baby."

Then he laughed one of those hearty laughs which have made him famous, and the bystanders could not help joining in his merriment. It was contagious.

NEWPORT COUNCIL.

Young Men's Institute Now Flourishing Throughout Kentucky.

Last Sunday George Lautz, Grand Secretary of the Young Men's Institute, accompanied by Mike Hill, visited Newport and placed in working order in that city a promising council. They were received with great hospitality, and returned home pleased with their work. The following are the officers who will guide the council this year:

Chaplain—Rev. James McNeerney. President—John Meagher. First Vice President—John Kearney. Second Vice President—James Sexton. Recording Secretary—Theo. Geisler. Financial Secretary—Edward Devere. Treasurer—M. F. Kenner. Marshal—Joe O'Neill. Sentinel—N. Donovan. Executive Committee—James Delaney, Dr. J. A. Reardon and John Waters. The council has arranged for a minstrel performance early in February, and for the purpose of booming it the members are divided into reds and blues, the side selling the largest number of tickets to be banqueted at the expense of the other.

Phil Sheridan Council 206, located at Bellevue, is another progressive body. Its officers will be installed Monday night by Harry Swann, of this city, Chairman of the Grand Board of Directors, in whose honor a public reception will be held.

SPECIAL MEETING.

Monday night there will be a very important special meeting of the joint Executive and Entertainment Committees of the Irish-American Society at the residence of President Joe Nevin, 1717 West Chestnut street, which those members should attend.

MONSTROUS

That Strong Powers Invade the Weak Ones and Sieze Territory.

Cardinal Gibbons' Review of the Events of the Century Just Closed.

Prays Against the Intoxicating Wine of Imperialism or Militarism.

MOCKERY OF JUSTICE AND SCANDAL

Cardinal Gibbons delivered a sermon at high mass last Sunday in the Baltimore Cathedral, in which he reviewed briefly the events of the century just closed, with special reference to the wars which have been waged during that period as a preface to an urgent plea for universal peace. He incidentally touched upon the subject of the proposed increase of the standing army in this country, pointing out the evil results arising from the maintenance of large bodies of armed men in Europe, and expressed the hope that similar conditions may never obtain in this country.

The text was Isaiah, ix.: The mission of Jesus Christ on earth was a mission of peace. He came to establish in our hearts a triple peace—peace with God, peace with our neighbor and peace with ourselves. Man's peace with God was dissolved by his rebellion against his Maker. Christ came to restore man to the friendship of God by sacrifice of His life on the cross. He tells us that this peace is to be maintained by the observance of the commandments. "There is much peace, O Lord, to those that keep Thy law, and for them there is no stumbling-block."

Cardinal Gibbons is reported to have said in the course of his grand sermon: He has taught us to have peace with our neighbor by observing the eternal principles of justice and charity, by doing unto others what we would wish others to do unto us. And He tells us that we will have peace with ourselves by keeping our passions subject to reason and our reason subject to faith.

But Christ's mission of peace had a wider scope than to the individual man. His mission was also to bring peace to the family and society. As the God of Peace, which He is called by St. Paul, He brings peace to the human heart. As the Father of Peace He brings peace to the family, and as the Prince of Peace, as He is called by Isaiah, He brings peace to society and the commonwealth.

It is not a mockery of justice and a scandal to the pagan world to see two Christian nations cutting each other's throat in the name of Christian civilization?

Is it not an outrage to contemplate one nation forcing by the sword her laws, her government and political institutions on another nation in the interests of trade and commerce, as if merchandise and dollars and cents were of more value than human lives? Is it not monstrous to see a strong power invading a weak one and seizing her territories on the hypocritical plea of rectifying her boundaries? This rectification of boundaries is a very old practice and is a polite name for robbery on a large scale.

May God so guide our legislators and statesmen that they may never be betrayed into imitating European Governments by the establishment of formidable standing armies. God forbid that we, ourselves flushed with recent victories, should ever become intoxicated with the wine of imperialism or militarism, but may we always follow the traditions of the fathers of the republic.

BISHOP WIGGER.

Venerable Bishop of Newark Passed Away Saturday Night.

The venerable and Right Rev. Bishop M. Wigger, of the diocese of Newark, died Saturday night at Seton Hall, South Orange, N. J. The Bishop had been ill for several days without any hope of his recovery. His condition was so low Friday afternoon that a report of his death was sent out, which, however, proved to be erroneous. The Bishop had a weak spell early in the morning, but rallied toward noon. One of his lungs was badly affected and he found it difficult to breathe.

The Rev. Father Carroll, of Jersey City, and Robert Wigger, his only brother, were at his bedside all night. During the early hours all the priests in the college assembled in his bedroom, and the prayers for the dying were said. His temperature was 104°. Vicar General O'Connor administered the last rites of the church at daylight on Thursday. Bishop Wigger died of pneumonia. He had had two attacks of the same disease before. The first was in 1889, in Italy. A year ago he was attacked again.

The Bishops of the province, which includes all the dioceses from Buffalo to Trenton, will meet immediately and select the names of three priests. The rectors, known as the missionary or memorable, rectors of the diocese, will

also meet and present three names. The six will be sent to the Pope, who will select from them Bishop Wigger's successor or appoint a priest, if he sees fit, outside of the six selected.

PATRICK SHEEHAN.

My name is Patrick Sheehan. My years are thirty-four; Tipperary is my native place—Not far from Galtymore; I came of honest parents, But now they're lying low; And many a pleasant day I spent In the Glen of Aherlow.

My father died; I closed his eyes Outside our cabin door; The landlord and the Sheriff, too, Were there the day before! And then my loving mother, And sisters three also, Were forced to go with broken hearts From the Glen of Aherlow.

For three long months, in search of work, I wandered far and near; I went then to the poor-house For to see my mother dear; The news I heard nigh broke my heart; But still, in all my woe, I blessed the friends who made their graves In the Glen of Aherlow.

Bereft of home and kith and kin, With plenty all around, I starved within my cabin And slept upon the ground; But cruel as my lot was, I ne'er did hardship know 'Till I joined the English army, Far away from Aherlow.

"Rouse up, there," says the Corporal, "You lazy Irish hound! Why don't you hear, you sleepy dog, The call to arms' sound?" Alas, I had been dreaming Of days long, long ago; I woke before Sebastopol, And not in Aherlow.

I groped to find my musket—How dark I thought the night! Oh, blessed God, it was not dark—It was the broad daylight! And when I found that I was blind My tears began to flow; I longed for even a pauper's grave In the Glen of Aherlow.

Oh, blessed Virgin Mary, Mine is a mournful tale; A poor blind prisoner here I am, In Dublin's dreary jail; Struck blind within the trenches, Where I never feared the foe; And now I'll never see again My own sweet Aherlow.

A poor, neglected mendicant, I wandered through the street; My nine months' pension now being out, I beg from all I meet; As I joined my country's tyrants My face I'll never show Among the kind old neighbors In the Glen of Aherlow.

Then, Irish youths, dear countrymen, Take heed of what I say, For if you join the English ranks, You'll surely rue the day; And whenever you are tempted A-soldiering to go, Remember poor blind Sheehan Of the Glen of Aherlow.

—Charles J. Kickham.

MEMORY REVERED.

Founder of Catholic Knights and Ladies Is Not Forgotten.

During the past few weeks many of the branches of the Catholic Knights and Ladies of America have elected and installed officers for the ensuing year, and reports current of the proceedings made by the founder of that most great fraternal society, the late Granville W. Smith, whose memory and indefatigable works are still cited and held forth for emulation.

The idea of such an organization occurred to him the day following the awful cyclone that worked death and destruction here years ago, and he was the organizer of the present society, which now numbers its members well up in the thousands. In recognition of this he was elected the first Supreme President, and from the small beginning there are now about 200 branches scattered throughout the United States. Few names are more frequently blessed by the widow and orphan than that of Gran Smith, through whose humble efforts thousands have been snatched from poverty and distress.

The Catholic Knights and Ladies are to be commended for their remembrance and honor of their founder.

EAST END CLUB.

The latest social club in the eastern part of the city is the La France Club, organized recently from among the leading young men residing on the Point, who have fixed up a comfortable and neat club house and hall at Campbell and Fulton streets, where they will next week inaugurate a series of monthly socials and dances for members and their friends which should prove quite popular.

The following are the officers: President—James Gilbert. Vice President—Julius Yenner. Recording Secretary—George W. Yenner. Treasurer—John E. Yenner.

Matelasse of a light quality is used for garments for elderly women. They can be made beautiful by trimming with fur and pleating of mouseline de sole.

PRAISEWORTHY

Work Done by Trinity Council During the Past Year.

Public Installation of Officers Witnessed by Immense Audience.

Splendid Reception, Refreshments and Stirring Addresses.

NEW OFFICERS RECEIVE OVATION

The pretty hall of Trinity Council, Young Men's Institute, which has a seating capacity of nearly five hundred, was taxed to its utmost Monday night to accommodate the friends of that sterling East End Catholic society, who gathered there to witness the installation of officers for the year 1901. Bush's orchestra, composed of younger members of Trinity Council, occupied the stage and discoursed sweet music during the evening, several selections being exceptionally well rendered.

The exercises began with a splendid song and chorus by members that was warmly applauded, after which President John J. Sullivan in a few well chosen words welcomed the visitors and guests, explaining the great principles of the Young Men's Institute, which were to help one another with wise counsel and advice, to care for the sick and those in distress, and to bury the dead. The President also congratulated the members upon the success achieved during the past year and thanked them for their readiness to assist the various pastors of the city whenever their services were desired. His references to the popular chaplain, Rev. Father Edward O'Grady, a large picture of whom adorned the stage, evoked the greatest enthusiasm of the entire evening.

The annual reports declared the Council in a healthy and flourishing condition. Secretary Joe Piazza's statement showed 221 members in good standing, with nearly \$1,000 in the treasury, after the disbursement of over \$300 for sick and funeral benefits, besides the other heavy expenses incurred in beautifying their hall, providing the gymnasium and other incidental expenses, all of which had been paid. The reading of President Sullivan's report by Secretary Stoerr was listened to with close attention and was well received by the large audience. After reviewing the triumphs of Trinity Council over opposition from unexpected quarters and calling attention to the unexampled increase in the membership, President Sullivan says:

The general good will on the part of all members of this council to show that we are a live, up-to-date organization, and the splendid work of our standing and special committees, oblige me to express to you now my sincerest thanks for a co-operation which has far surpassed my most sanguine expectations. I beg of you to keep up this good spirit and to strengthen it more and more by closer attention to the objects of our organization and a cultivation of the friendliest relations between all members. This friendship is best achieved by a regular attendance at the meetings, which will insure a fair division of the work of the council. Your part in this work is not only the payment of your dues, but the performance of various committee duties, by which you are brought into closer contact with each other, and through which you benefit yourself in a business way more than by any other means.

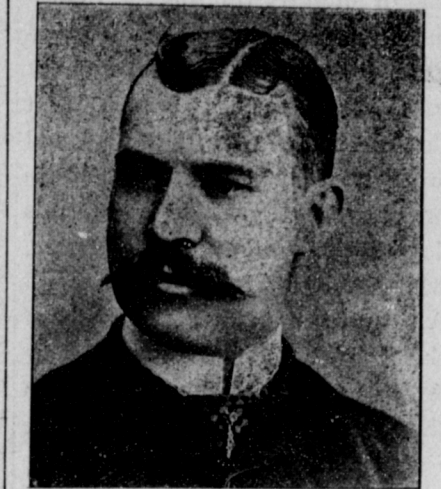
I can not refrain, as a matter of example to others, from commenting in a special manner on the ever ready assistance of my worthy predecessors in office, Bros. James B. Kelly and Ben Hund, and of Bros. Dr. J. B. Lammers, W. N. Gast, Clem Ellert, Adam Schneider, Theo. Kreiger and others too numerous to mention. To these I could always look with certainty for the most conscientious performance of any committee duties and for good counsel and advice. I consider it one of my most stringent duties on this day to publicly express to them not only my thanks, but those of the whole council.

I also feel greatly indebted to my brother-officers, from the Rev. Chaplain down to the Outside Sentinel, for their faithful attendance to duty. The council has been most fortunate in the selection of its officers for the past year, and that is one of the principal reasons for the good showing we are able to make at the beginning of this new year. With great regret do I see our faithful brother, Bro. Joseph Piazza, lay down his office of Financial Secretary, in which he always tried to emulate the good example of his predecessor, the remembrance of whom should never grow dim in our council, our dearly beloved Bro. Robert G. Strube, for the peaceful repose of whose soul we again invoke the mercy of our Heavenly Father. The thanks of this council, and especially of those members who had the misfortune to get sick during the last year, are also due to the members of the sick committee, whose record for faithful performance of their duties stands unparalleled in the history of this organization. The good work of the sick committee does more for the integrity of the

council than all other efforts combined. And now, while I have recognized nearly every one responsible for the good success of our council during the last year, do not let me forget the moving spring of activity of our younger element, the ladies.

I certainly can not be charged with too much enthusiasm for the feminine adjunct of a thoroughly American-Catholic organization; but I would be guilty of the basest ingratitude would I on this day forget the never tiring zeal for the welfare of this council that has been exhibited by the Ladies' Auxiliary. God bless our ladies! We owe them our heartiest co-operation, and I, for one, am willing to pledge it right here.

Three applications were received and referred, after which Council Deputy



PRESIDENT JOHN J. SULLIVAN.

Edward Kelly was introduced and installed the following officers:

Chaplain—Father Edward O'Grady. President—John J. Sullivan. First Vice President—William N. Gast. Second Vice President—William Hillerich. Recording Secretary—Henry F. Stoerr. Financial Secretary—Tony Huknebeck. Corresponding Secretary—Joseph J. Gaffney. Treasurer—Joseph S. Piazza. Marshal—Henry Herberger. Outside Sentinel—William Bossung. Inside Sentinel—Philip Kaltenthaler. Executive Committee—Dan J. Hennessy, Henry B. Strube, Joseph C. Kirchdorfer, Andy J. Schreck, Edward J. Bosler.

The new officers were warmly greeted, especially Messrs. Piazza and Herberger, who are popular with every one. When all had been escorted to their chairs President Sullivan called for remarks from the representative of the Kentucky Irish American, who congratulated Trinity Council upon its glorious past and wished the members success and prosperity for the future.

Past President James B. Kelly was next introduced and discussed the principles upon which the Young Men's Institute was founded and the willingness to assist young men who desire to help themselves.

The longest and best speech of the evening was delivered by James Shelly, the first President of Mackin Council, who drew a pleasing contrast between himself and the young ladies who were present to witness the installation of young men who might ere long be more to them than mere brothers. His eulogy of Bishop Byrne and Father O'Grady, during which he deplored the fact that many clergymen did not exhibit the same interest in their organization, was frequently interrupted by hearty applause. Others who responded with brief remarks were David O'Connell, Trinity's first President, and Ben Hund, Dr. Lammers and Tom Garvey, the advance agent. A most amusing feature was the comic tragedy recitation by John Rieger.

While the orchestra played a number of selections a corps of colored waiters served refreshments of all kinds in abundance, and before leaving many were heard to express the wish that Trinity held public installations monthly instead of yearly. The council deserves great credit for its praiseworthy entertainment.

LADIES INVITED.

Irish-American Society Looks For Them Thursday Night.

The Irish-American Society is looking forward to Thursday night's meeting, when the presence of a large number of ladies is expected. The members will doubtless bring their wives and lady friends, the society having voted them a cordial reception at the last meeting.

The ladies will be enlisted given a prominent part in the celebration of Robert Emmet's anniversary, which the Irish-Americans propose this year to observe with more than ordinary enthusiasm. For this meeting Hibernian Hall will be brilliantly illuminated. All the members are urged to attend and give the ladies a hearty welcome.

CAREW'S GREATEST VICTORY.

Lady Beatrice Butler, it is said, is to wed Pole-Carew, the dashing British cavalry leader of South Africa. She is the eldest daughter of the Marquis of Ormonde, and is said to be the Emerald Isle's most beautiful woman. The history of her house, according to Burke, is the history of Ireland from the time of the Anglo-Norman invasion. Now it is announced that she is to marry Gen. Pole-Carew, one of Lord Roberts' most distinguished officers.

SMALL BUSINESS

The K. & I. Bridge Squeezes Nicks, a Day From Its Employees.

Requires Them to Pay Fare Going to and From Their Work.

These Faithful Servants Now Realize the Necessity For Organization.

THE MOST UNHEARD-OF LITTLENES

The General Manager of the Kentucky & Indiana Bridge Company on January 1 issued an order requiring all of the employees of that company to pay half fares. For instance, a motorman living in New Albany must pay two and a half cents to come over here to take out his train. If the wires are down and his train doesn't run he must pay another two and a half cents to get home. The motormen on this line receive the munificent sum of sixteen and a half cents an hour. No other railroad entering Louisville requires its employees to pay half fare going to or coming from work. No railroad entering Louisville has received so many favors from this city and New Albany as the Kentucky & Indiana Bridge Company. It paid no taxes to Louisville for years and now pays very little compared with other bridges. The city of New Albany to the extent of \$500,000, and it has been allowed to make over grade crossings at many places without stationing a flagman. It has worked both municipalities for all they were worth, and now it seeks to "work" the motormen and its shop employees at the rate of five cents a day.

No smaller piece of business was ever done by a corporation in Louisville that this requirement of General Manager Josselyn to make the poor men under him pay five cents a day. Unfortunately the men employed by the Kentucky & Indiana Bridge Company are not organized into labor organizations or they would be in position to resist this small imposition. This order may have the effect of awakening them to the necessity of organizing. It is a wonder that the Kentucky & Indiana bridge has any patronage after doing an act of this kind.

The Dinky Line, which is a competitor pays its conductors \$3.50 a day and its brakemen \$2.50, compared with \$1.60 and \$1.25 paid by the Kentucky & Indiana Company. The employees of the Dinky Line have passes and ride when they please. This is the difference between the two corporations—one seeks to skin its employees and the other uses methods which go far toward making employees loyal. Until the order is rescinded requiring employees to pay the Kentucky & Indiana bridge should not be patronized by labor people.

CONVENTION

Called For Tuesday Night by the County Board of Directors.

The County Board of Directors met Wednesday night in Hibernian Hall to further arrange for the celebration of St. Patrick's day. After hearing reports from the different committees appointed before the holidays it was decided to call a county convention of the delegates and all members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians for next Tuesday night, when all the details will be perfected and final action taken.

Several plans have been recommended to the County Board of Directors, and the general meeting has been called that the one meeting with the most favor may be selected. The County Board urges the attendance of all the members, who will also enjoy a smoker.

CATHOLIC KNIGHTS.

Central Committee to Visit Jeffersonville Branch Monday.

The Jeffersonville branch of the Catholic Knights of America will be visited Monday night by the Central Committee of this city and a number of members from New Albany. They will be accompanied by the Old Hickory quartet, who will render a pleasing number of vocal selections.

The Central Committee had at its last meeting Messrs. Thickstun and John Murphy, both of whom spoke eloquently of the order in Indiana and invited their Louisville brethren to meet with them Monday night. The committee met last night and perfected arrangements for the trip, and they will doubtless be accompanied by a large crowd.

POSTPONED.

The eucure and social dance that was to have been given next month at Hibernian Hall by Division 4 has been postponed until after Easter Sunday. This was done that all might devote their time to the St. Patrick's day celebration.

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ENGLAND'S CENTURY BOOK.

Nation's seem to compare notes at the end of the century as does the individual at the end of the year, and the various nations are "taking stock," so to speak. The United States shows a progress that is all precedent in the shade, with a prospect of soon leading all in population, wealth, prestige and power, to an extent that no one seems willing to venture an opinion—doubtless in view of the utter refutation of all predictions made to Uncle Sam, then in his swaddling clothes, one hundred years ago. The other leading nations, after a century of ups and downs, seem to enter the new century with better conditions and prospects, except England, and her condition is gloomy, her outlook dark. She closes the century with prestige lost, power weakened, influence lessened, trade limited and slipped away, financial bankruptcy impending, with no ray of hope in the immediate future.

In closing accounts for the century, England shows much on the wrong side of the ledger, and her affairs in very bad shape; such as the case of individuals or a corporation would call for a receiver. In diplomacy she is ignored and even snubbed; her prestige no one fears, not even the Boers, who seem to be chasing the red-coats at their pleasure; her navy, the largest in the world, is not dreaded, for it is antiquated, and recent naval events prove that it is not numbers or size, but modern improvements, that win the battles; she no longer leads in commerce and trade, but is fighting for her life and losing day by day, the Chicago, instead of Liverpool, quotations now ruling the commercial world. She has ceased to be the money king; her consols are discounted while the bonds of other nations are at a premium; the discount rate of the Bank of England has now no effect on other financial markets; American stocks and bonds rule the industries, even in the London Exchange; American manufacturers ship better and cheaper goods and products, and sell them cheaper in all markets, even in England; New York instead of London is now the barometer of the world's finances; the American gold dollar, rather than the English crown, is being recognized as the money standard among nations. America is the money lender to nations, while England (would you believe it?) is a borrower, floating her consols in American and other markets, and finally the "Yankee rag," not the Union Jack, is respected of all nations the world over.

And this of England, the leader, master, dictator, money king, commercial boss of the world a hundred years ago! No wonder Englishmen review the Nineteenth century in sadness and anger, and can see only threatening clouds where others see fair sunshine in the Twentieth century.

To the impartial observer of the history of the past century this is no surprise. It is with nations as with individuals—a wrong course can only bring a disastrous result; but the egotism of nations, like the egotism of individuals, blinds them, and they can not, or will not see. Nations, like individuals, have their faults, peculiar to them, and egotism is peculiarly England's fault; otherwise English statesmen would have foreseen, as others did, the error of her policies, and by a change checked decadence and averted the inevitable disaster. England's decadence really began

with the close of the Eighteenth and opening of the Nineteenth century, due to the greed and tyranny of crazy George III. This lost the American colonies, with their unlimited wealth; demonstrated that English armies could be defeated by backwoodsmen who knew nothing of military training or discipline. These colonists founded and have maintained a government based on liberty, a beacon light that has served to inspire hope and arouse to arms against English oppression and aggression even to this day—the Boers in South Africa, whose ambition is to found a South African republic after the model of the United States. These same American colonists demonstrated in the war of 1812 that the invincible English navy, the mistress of the seas, could be whipped by fishermen and longshoremen, even though they lacked warships, naval armament or experience, and from that time the English navy has been less dreaded as the years roll by.

Indeed, during the past century England has steadily declined as a military and naval power. In the Napoleonic wars she did practically nothing, and but for the fact that an English General commanded at Waterloo and was accorded the glory of a victory which Blucher, a German, won, she would not have been heard of. In the Crimea and in China she was merely the ally of France, and now at the close of the century, when the whole Chinese question is at stake, she ranks with the second class nations, the dictators being Russia, United States, Germany, France. Only in wars of conquest with weak and barbarous people has English prowess been shown, and all this is proven to be nil by the closing and yet unfinished chapter of the great English military power being strained to its last resources, beaten, shattered, demoralized and threatened with ignominious defeat and annihilation by the insignificant Dutch farmers of South Africa, although the English army outnumbered them six to one, is equipped with improved arms, supplied with resources and commanded by the ablest officers. England, from her highest officials to all classes of her people, is humiliated, baffled, desperate at this climax in her military affairs.

In finance, commerce, education, manufactures, everything it seems, England's course has been the same and the results and conditions alike disastrous, the same American colonists, grown to a world power, being her chief and most aggressive competitor.

Is the prophecy to be fulfilled that the Nineteenth century will be the limit of English rule as a first class power; that Queen Victoria's reign will be the last of British supremacy, and with her death revolution and disintegration begin.

GAMBLING.

Judge Barker's charge to the grand jury on gambling is strong, as usual. The Judge specifically says that the police can suppress gambling in this city in fifteen minutes, and by intimidation places the responsibility for its existence on the Mayor, Board of Safety and Chief of Police, who control the police. The City Hall authorities retort that they can do nothing effective to suppress gambling because when they furnish evidence, make arrests and secure indictments, the courts allow the gambling to continue and on technicalities dismiss the accused. In this crimination and recrimination both

seem to be right—but it is plain that neither side have broken their necks to suppress gambling, which under the law can be done promptly, though both are emphatic in their desire to do so. To a man up a tree it seems, despite all assertions, that all of them favor or fear the gamblers. In the meantime with forty-one gamblers indicted by the December grand jury, under bond and the cases set for trial, the pool rooms, etc., are running wide open as usual, never having stopped for a minute. Who is responsible for this?

In London a syndicate organized to relay one of street railways and furnish it with new equipment has failed before fairly beginning the work. The chief item of the asset was the contract, and an American syndicate purchased all the assets. As several months of the time have elapsed with nothing done an extension was asked and refused in the hope the Americans would give up the contract and an English syndicate get it. But the Americans didn't. All the material, machinery, etc., of the defunct syndicate were sold out; superintendents and workmen ordered from the United States to do the preparatory work on the road; instructions cabled to the United States to make plans, erect additional shops, with more machinery and men to provide the rails, engines, etc., thus working at both ends of the job at once—not a bit of the work to be done by Englishmen. The Londoners, chagrined, are chuckling at the probability of the Yankee losing out by failure to complete the work in the specified time and having to pay a heavy forfeit. Railway builders of Europe look on in wonder at the undertaking—the Yankee is hustling. It's dollars to door knobs that the job will be finished with time to spare.

The Judge who resents criticism of his acts by jerking up the critic and sending him to jail for contempt may be regarded as arbitrary, but leaves no room for doubt that he recognizes and is determined to uphold the dignity of his court. But the Judge who eschews his official prerogative, descends to the level of the ordinary citizen, goes into another court and has his critics indicted under the general law for libel, may be pursuing the proper course, but is not likely to impress the public with much respect for the dignity of his court or the injustice of the criticism.

"Caesar's bones"—gambling—have become quite lively recently, and the see-saw game caused by recent events is regarded with considerable curiosity as to the outcome and ultimate results. The queer part of it is that the indicted parties are allowed to continue just the same as before they were indicted. Though charged, arrested and under bond to answer for crime, they go right on same as before. It's funny, ain't it?

The newspapers almost daily report cases of kidnapping. It seems to have become a fad. The police in several cities say these reports of kidnapping are fakes; that precocious youngsters who go off on a jolly, when they finally show up, now claim they were kidnapped, either for notoriety or to avoid telling the truth as to their escapades.

WINNERS OF PRIZES.

Nearly 400 ladies and gentlemen participated in the euchre given at Trinity Hall last Wednesday night by the Ancient Order of Hibernians of New Albany for the benefit of St. Edward's Hospital. The prize winners were Mrs. Stonecipher, Mrs. Henry Haller, Miss Loretta Higgins and Miss Kate O'Hara; Messrs. Michael Monahan, Peter Fougere, John Beeler and Peter Richards. The affair was a decided success and the Hibernians deserve the thanks of those in charge of the hospital.

CONSOLING.

Two countrymen in Ireland who had not seen each other for a long time met at a fair. They had a lot of things to tell each other. "Sure, it's married I am," said O'Brien. "You don't tell me so!" said Blake. "Faith, yes," said O'Brien, "an' I've got a fine healthy boy, which the neighbors say is the very picture of me." Blake looked for a moment at O'Brien, who was not, to say the least, remarkable for his good looks. "O, well, what's the harm so long as the child's healthy?"

SOCIETY.

You can send your sweetheart presents Through the post if you desire; Can transmit a loving message By the telegraphic wire. You may pen a sweet proposal, Get an answer most sublime; But a kiss not done in person Is a failure every time.

John P. Lynch has returned from a week's vacation spent at West Baden.

M. L. Conway and J. L. Crowe were among this week's visitors from Frankfort.

Miss Marie Hackett was this week the guest of Miss Marie Dehoney in Jeffersonville.

Miss Adelaide Crush has returned from Pewee Valley, where she visited Miss Marguerite Jurey.

Miss Mary Meany will leave for Washington early in February, to spend several weeks with friends.

Mrs. Bert Spencer (nee Alicia Barnes) is quite sick at the home of her parents on West Oak street.

Miss Mayme Louise Brown left Tuesday for New Hope, where she will visit Mrs. George Woodring.

Joseph Wernert, of this city, was among those sojourning at West Baden Springs during the past week.

Miss Rose West arrived home Saturday from London, where she spent the holidays with Miss Ollie Smith.

Miss Mamie Rawlings, who has been the guest of Miss Mary Giles, 752 Fifth street, has returned to Danville.

Charles Schreiber and wife are home again, after an enjoyable visit with friends in Harrison county, Ind.

Miss Lula May Brown returned Monday to Loretto Academy, after spending the holiday vacation with her parents.

The friends of Miss Tessie Herey will be sorry to learn that she is ill at her residence, 723 West St. Catherine street.

John Gavin has returned to Pittsburg, after spending a week with friends and relatives in New Albany, his former home.

Miss Ada Walsh, who has been spending the holiday season at home, left Sunday for New York, where she is attending school.

Mrs. R. E. Fleming, West Oak street, leaves today for Middlesboro, where she will spend next week as the guest of Mrs. O. B. Hollingsworth.

John T. Kane, a prominent citizen of Huntington, Ind., is in the city visiting the family of his sister, Mrs. R. E. Fleming, West Oak street.

Mr. C. C. Hughes and his charming sister, who spent the holidays here as the guests of Mrs. Nannie Dubourg, have returned to their home.

Messrs. B. S. Mattingly, Clem Spalding and W. J. O'Daniel, three of Lebanon's leading citizens, were here during the first part of the week.

William and Henry Nieder and Henry Nieder, Jr., left last Saturday for West Baden Springs for a season of rest after their big holiday business.

The many friends of Miss Julia Dupere, one of Portland's attractive society favorites, were greatly pleased to see her out again after a week's illness.

Miss Imo Kirkland, the charming and attractive sister of Mrs. Jesse Putnam, Oak street, is visiting friends in Paducah, where she has many admirers.

Several weddings of popular Limerick couples will take place in the next few weeks, full particulars of which will be announced in this column later.

Misses Virginia and Hortense Pilcher, after spending two weeks with their parents in this city, returned to St. Mary's College in Knoxville, Ill.

Cosmas Meagher, the well known young groceryman, has been ill for the past week, but is now recovering and expects to be out in a day or two.

John Rush, the well-known tailor, left this week for Alexandria, Ind., to accept a responsible position with the leading tailoring establishment of that city.

Mrs. Robert Strube, 1152 Christy avenue, arrived home Monday from Bloomington, Ill., where she had gone to attend the funeral of her brother, John Ulrich.

The numerous friends of Martin Niles will learn with regret that he has been unable to leave his bed for the past ten days. All hope to see him soon out again.

Mr. R. J. Whelan, a well-known and popular resident of Akron, Ohio, has been the guest of his sister, Mrs. Mary Malay, Ohio avenue, Jeffersonville, since last Monday.

Mrs. John Hughes entertained the members of Young Married Ladies' Euchre Club last Monday evening. This social gathering was the most enjoyable given thus far this winter.

Miss Julia Cochran, who has been teaching for the past two years at St. Mary's College, Notre Dame, left last Monday to resume her duties, after spending the holidays at her home here.

Lewis Flanagan, after spending the holidays with his mother and sisters on West Oak street, returned to St. Louis, where for some time past he has been holding a nice and remunerative railroad position.

Friends are congratulating Will Barry, the well known Louisville & Nashville clerk, on account of the arrival of a baby

boy last Tuesday morning at his residence, 2311 West Madison street. Both mother and child are doing well.

Peter J. Murphy, brother of City Assessor Dan Murphy, who has been suffering for some time past from a severe attack of rheumatism, left Monday for Tombstone, Ariz., where he will remain until spring. His friends hope for his recovery.

Dame Rumor has given out the information that popular George Shea has almost arranged for his future home, a pretty and valuable piece of property in the East End. There is much speculation as to who will share it with him. This will be given out later.

Miss Helen Hannon will entertain the Entre Nous Club each Monday evening during the rest of this month at her home, 1313 Locust street, New Albany, and the members are congratulating themselves upon their good fortune in having so charming a hostess.

The many friends of Misses Mary A. and Anna Louise Finegan, the pretty and accomplished daughters of Michael Finegan, will read with pleasure the news that these popular young ladies are now recovering from a dangerous illness of grip and tonsillitis, with which they have been confined to their home at Ninth and Kentucky streets for several weeks.

Miss Josephine Pettet, of Chicago, who has been visiting Miss Marie Louise Costigan during the holidays, returned to her home this week to resume her studies in the senior class of the Chicago High School, in which she is one of the youngest members. Miss Pettet, being a very pretty girl with charming manners, made many friends here. She is also quite an expert in china painting, having filled many orders before Christmas.

The nuptials of Miss Carolyn Kampmueller and Charles Wesley Jones were solemnized Wednesday evening, Father Schuhmann, D. D. of the Cathedral, officiating at the happy ceremony. The bride is the pretty daughter of Dr. Kampmueller, Seventh and Broadway, and her charming manner made her a great society favorite. Her husband is a well known and popular young business man. The young couple are spending their honeymoon in the East, and will visit Florida before returning.

Before returning to Loretto Academy Miss Susie Miller, who had been spending the holidays with her parents on Zane street, gave a delightful entertainment to her friends. All who were present had a most enjoyable time. Refreshments were served at midnight, when all bid farewell to their dainty hostess. Among the invited guests were Misses Nell Cary, Katie O'Connell, Grace Miller, Ella Kirley, Edith and Estelle Baker, Clara Vaughn, Lottie Irwin; Messrs. Will Miller, Louis Dugan, Joe Hanrahan, Harry Smith, Dennis Hines, Jesse Schanberger, Lou Newman, Claude Elliston and George Patterson.

Among the very enjoyable social events of the past week was the reception and entertainment given by Edward J. Dalton and his charming sister, Miss Maggie, at their home, 420 Hancock street, in honor of Messrs. Pat and Mike Foley, two popular young Iowans, who spent the holidays here. The artistic vocal and instrumental selections rendered by Misses Lily and Mamie Shea contributed much to the pleasure of the evening. The dining-room was specially decorated in green and gold, and at midnight the guests were seated to a bounteous and elegant supper. The guests present were Misses Lily and Mamie Shea, Lizzie Murphy, Agnes Sheridan, Anna McFarland, Mamie Murphy, Pearl O'Leary; Messrs. Will Phalen, Pat and Mike Foley, George Shea, George White and George Sabar.

MEMORIAL.

A Loving Tribute to Our Dear Departed Mother, Mary B., Wife of Thos. Keyer.

On the Feast of the Circumcision of Our Lord, as twilight was casting her gentle rays o'er the universe, mother, soothed by the peaceful influence of the sacred hour of song, and finding her eyes growing dim to the light of this drear vale, her mortal frame weak and oppressed with the cross she so intrepidly bore through life, strolled for a brief space of time near the gates of Paradise to be refreshed. Her loved ones here, fearing she might become entangled in the meshes of Heaven, when their bleeding hearts would find have her stay, plead at the Throne on High for a respite. Jesus, the ever just one, recognizing Himself in her, in the beauty, the grandeur, the self-sacrificing nobility of her virtuous life, summoned the Recording Angel with the hosts of elect to bear witness against we poor judges of earth, the returned verdict: "Your loving mother has today merited Heaven. I bid her remain to mingle her voice with the celestial choir and partake of the pleasures of my grand feast in her true home." We offered a mild protest, but feeling the touch of His soft fatherly hand and the solace of His kind voice, saying: "Children, dear, bow thine heads and hearts for awhile. All is well with mother. She was precious to thee below, doubly so she is to thee above. The road grew too rough, the burden of life (so well spent) too heavy. She was weary and asked for rest, sweet rest." Farewell, oh! farewell! thou hast broken the chain, And the links that have bound us are broken in twain; But long shall our hearts in their sad sorrow tell How we grieve for thee, dear mother—farewell, oh! farewell!

Affectionate daughter ELIZABETH G.

CATHOLICS EXCLUDED.

The action of the Central Relief Committee of Galveston, Texas, in excluding the Catholic institutions totally in the distribution of the orphans' fund is being severely criticised. The committee has affirmed its former action appropriating the New York Journal's Waldorf-Astoria

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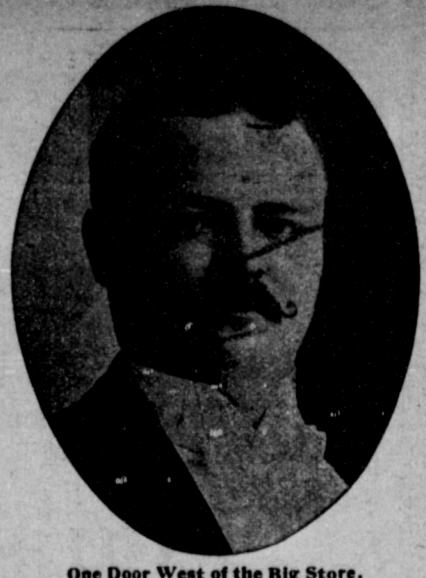
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Some of them supply political information to English newspapers, Tory as well as Liberal, and write Parliamentary reports and sketches. The leader is credited with an intention of putting a stop to this state of affairs, but he will not be able to do so unless he is prepared to pay more than \$15 a week, and from present indications his financial resources will be strained to the utmost to supply even that modest stipend. Of eighty odd Irish Nationalists elected there are about sixty who must be paid salaries.

THEATRICALS.

The attendance during the past week at the Temple Theater was something tremendous and shows proper appreciation of the efforts of Messrs. Meffert and Eagle to please the Louisville public. Realizing that almost every theater-goer has read "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," it seems useless to do more than announce that the Meffert-Eagle Stock Company will play the piece during the week of January 14. It is claimed that Richard Mansfield made over \$100,000 with the play in two seasons, to say nothing of the other actors who played it throughout the United States. Robert Wayne will play the dual role next week. Special scenery has been prepared for the production, and it will be the effort of the management to surpass other productions. Among the vaudeville performers to appear next week are John A. West, a "musical mope," and the "Quality Girl." There will be daily matinees.

For next week the Buckingham announces that well-known organization Hurlig & Seamon's Bowery Burlesquers. The present season's company includes



such favorite entertainers as the vaudeville trio, composed of Al Lewis, Maude Elliott and Marie Richmond; the Farrell-Taylor trio, comprising Frank Taylor, Ethel Cope and Tom Carter; Miss Neva Aymar, the coon shouter and dancer; Murphy and Nolan, the happy Irishmen, and the New York four, including the pretty Palmer sisters and Hilton sisters. There are many others with the company not quite so well known, perhaps, but equally clever.

"The King of the Opium Ring" will be presented at the Avenue next week. There is plenty of excitement in the pro-



duction and things happen in more rapid succession than they do on the firing line in Luzon. There are all sorts of people in the play, and they run across more excitement in a day than ordinary people encounter in a lifetime.

EUCRE AND DANCE.

The eucree and dance with which the Young Ladies' Auxiliary of Trinity Council entertained their friends at the club rooms Wednesday evening was an unusually brilliant and pronounced social success. Quite a number of beautiful prizes were distributed, after which dainty refreshments were served. The reception committee, composed of Miss Mayne Kieley, assisted by Misses Gertrude Hickenbeck, Mary Goss and Mrs. James Kelly, are to be congratulated upon the delightful manner in which they entertained the large crowd of players and visitors, who were treated to unstinted hospitality.

RECOVERING.
Miss Katie McGrath, who has been dangerously ill for the last ten weeks at St. Joseph's infirmary, was removed to the Sacred Heart Retreat last Tuesday, and her many friends and admirers will rejoice to learn that she is now making splendid progress toward recovery.

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SERIOUS ILLNESS.

Miss Tenie Richter, one of the leading soloists of St. Cecilia's choir, and sister of Miss Agnes Richter, the accomplished organist, is reported dangerously ill at her home, 2504 Portland avenue. Her father and mother, both of whom have been suffering from severe sickness, are now convalescent.

THE OLDEST PERSON IN VERMONT.

Mrs. Honora McCarty, of South Shaftsbury, probably enjoys the distinction of being the oldest person in Vermont. Authentic reports show that she was born in the County of Cork, Ireland, the first Friday in Lent in 1790. Entry of her birth is made on the record of the parish church. She was one of four children. Her father and mother both lived over a hundred years. She is very active, frequently walks to North Pennington to attend mass, and one day last summer came on foot to Pennington, five miles, for the purpose of attending church.

COME OUT AND TAKE PART.

The Manchester Emerald well says: If we are ever going to succeed in bringing into the ranks the men of our race and creed, we should endeavor to show more interest in the order's success than at present. No time like the present is a good old saying, therefore we should make the most of the opportunity. To begin with, regular attendance at the meetings should be the watchword. The remark is very often heard on a meeting night, "Oh, there is no use of my going to the meeting tonight; there will be enough there without me to do the business." Yes, but supposing every member reasoned in the same manner. The result would be that no meetings could be held. Now this kind of conduct on the part of members will not do. Every member should attend. The presence and voice of each member are just what is wanted at each meeting, and are just what will help to make our organization a success, and the meeting will be much more interesting and the business will be carried out with that success that only good attendance at meetings can accomplish. It is not right or fair to the best interests of our society that one class of members should depend upon the other class to do the work. Let this cease, and instead let every member come out and take part in the work of making the Ancient Order of Hibernians the success that it deserves. The foregoing has special application to the present situation in Louisville and Kentucky.

Kentuckian—He called me a liar, sir. New Yorker—And what did you do? Kentuckian—I went to the funeral.
Guide (referring to Egyptian Pyramids)—It took hundreds of years to build them. O'Brien (the wealthy contractor)—Then it was Governor's job, eh?

SATOLLI COUNCIL.

Fraternal Gathering of Young Men's Institute Monday Night.

Satolli Council club house on Second street will be the scene of the largest fraternal gathering of Catholic young men that has taken place in Louisville during recent years. That night the members of Mackin and Trinity Councils will visit Satolli in a body, which insures an assemblage of about 500 representative men, and the proceedings will doubtless prove most interesting. The three councils of the Young Men's Institute were never more prosperous than now, and the newly installed officers propose measures that must make this popular organization the home for Catholic young men during the future. President William J. O'Sullivan and Satolli's officers will make this occasion very pleasant for the visitors.

RECENT DEATHS.

With regret we announce the death of Marguerite Sullivan, the winsome and pretty infant daughter of Owen Sullivan, whose young life ended at an early hour Monday morning at the family residence, 1814 Sixth street, after a short illness. Her funeral took place Tuesday morning, her remains being tenderly laid to rest in St. Louis cemetery.

The funeral of Miss Elizabeth Hurley, who died Saturday morning at the residence of John Galvin, Eighth street, was largely attended at the Cathedral Monday morning. She was a well-known and popular lady, who had for many years been with the John Morton Printing Company, where she held a high position and was greatly esteemed.

Louisville has lost another of its highly respected older citizens by the death of Barney Cassidy, who passed away Tuesday morning at his home, 812 Sixteenth street. He was a native of Ireland, seventy-two years of age, but long ago came to this city. Only one child, a grown daughter, survives him. His funeral took place from the Sacred Heart church Thursday morning.

Death has been busy this week among young and old, but nowhere did his dread presence cause more sorrow than in the house of Mr. and Mrs. H. Anton Brinkhaus, 514 East Gray street, who Tuesday night sustained the loss of their dearly beloved daughter Clara, aged nine years. Her funeral occurred Thursday morning at St. Doniface church, the solemn services being largely attended by sympathizing friends of the bereaved parents.

The death of the father and mother of seven little children within about two weeks makes desolate the home of the Egan family on Payne street. William Egan, the well-known motorman, who lost his wife just before Christmas from pneumonia, was last week stricken with the dread disease, and passed away Monday morning at St. Joseph's infirmary, though everything known to medical skill was resorted to to save his life. The deceased was an industrious and honest man, and his sudden end leaves without support the little children who have never known want. Now bereft of their loving parents, they will be cared for at the Catholic orphanage at Bardstown. Mr. Egan's funeral took place Wednesday morning and his remains were laid beside those of his wife.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Keyer, the beloved wife of Thomas Keyer, took place last week at St. Patrick's church with solemn requiem mass. Mrs. Keyer was one of the most prominent members of this congregation, and by her death the church mourns one of its most charitable and noble benefactresses. She was ever ready to help the needy and comfort the comfortless, and no one who applied for alms was ever turned from her door. She loved the beauty of the house of God, and she was ready at all times with willing hands and open purse to contribute to its adornment. This fact was confirmed on last Friday morning, a week ago, by carrying out her wishes, for never has the sacred edifice been more elaborately and mournfully garbed. The altars ablaze with lights and its draperies of richest black and purple and the adorning angels each side of the tabernacle draped in silk tulle, lent a sight more impressive than words could convey. Monsignor Gambon delivered an eloquent eulogy. He spoke from the heart and his sermon moved many to tears. He dwelt on her deeds of love, kindness and charity, and quoted from Sacred Scripture the "perfect woman," and he remarked this was but a biography of Mrs. Keyer's life, and his hearers would bear him out in this statement. "What tribute could have been higher or more beautiful," Mrs. Keyer was loved by all denominations and her popularity was testified by the concourse of sorrowing friends which filled the sacred edifice to pay their last tribute of love and respect.

RETURNS FROM CHICAGO.

Chief Haager, who left for Chicago last Monday night to attend the meeting of the Board of Governors of the National Bureau of Identification, has returned to the city. The meeting was for the purpose of urging the passage of a bill by Congress providing for the establishment of a national bureau of identification, which would greatly benefit the smaller towns and rural districts. The Vest bill meets with general favor and the chiefs of the leading cities hope for its adoption.

THE HIGHER PLACES.

"Do you subscribe to this statement that a woman ought to look up to her husband?" inquired Mr. Meekton's wife. "Well, Henrietta," he answered, cautiously, "I do think that when there is any picture hanging or anything like that going on in the house it's a man's duty to assume the position of perilous responsibility at the top of the step ladder."

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But it is at sight of the tomb, the silent portico of another world, that Christianity unfolds its sublimity. If the greater part of the ancient religions have consecrated the ashes of the dead, not one of them has thought to prepare the soul for those unknown shores from which it never returns.
In order to see the most beautiful spectacle that the earth can present, you must see the Christian die. That man is no longer the man of the world, he belongs no longer to his country; all his relations with society have ceased. For him the calculation by time is ended, and he dates now only with the great era of eternity. A priest seated at his pillow consoles him. This holy minister communes with the dying one upon the immortality of his soul, and the sublime scene that the entire antiquity has presented but a single time, in the first of its dying philosophers, is renewed every day upon the pallet of the lowest (in station) of the dying Christians.

At last the supreme moment has arrived; a Sacrament has opened the gates of the world to this just man, a Sacrament closes them upon him; religion balances him in the cradle of life; its beautiful songs and its material hand still will lull him to sleep in the cradle of death. It prepares the baptism for the second birth; but it is no longer water that it chooses, it is oil, the emblem of celestial incorruptibility. The liberating Sacrament breaks little by little the earthly ties of the faithful one; his soul, half escaped from his body, becomes almost visible upon his countenance. Already he hears the music of the Seraphim; now he is ready to fly away towards those regions where that divine Hope, the daughter of Virtue and of Death, is beckoning him. In the meantime the angel of peace, descending towards this righteous one, touches his weary eyes with his sceptre of gold and closes them delightfully to the light.

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IRELAND. Record of the Most Important of the Recent Events Culled From Exchanges.

Business continues very dull in all directions in the Belfast linen trade and the present outlook is quite dark.

An election of doctor for the newly created dispensary district of Ballybunion took place at the board room, Listowel, and resulted in the return of Dr. Joseph Costello, Glin, by a majority of twenty-two.

There has been a serious outbreak of typhoid fever in the neighborhood of Galbally and Ballylanders, in Tipperary. The disease made its appearance only a short time ago, but it has spread rapidly and already several deaths have occurred.

We regret to announce the death of John Nagle, which occurred at his residence, Coolan, Clonmel. The deceased gentleman was the father of Rev. William Nagle, Clogheen, and Rev. Edward Nagle, English Martyrs' church, Preston. The funeral took place at Kilsash, where his remains were interred in the family burying ground.

A sad case of drowning is reported from Wexford. A farmer named Nicholas Devereux, Tacumshane, while walking along the quay accidentally fell over and was drowned. Two men named Furlong and Walsh went to his assistance, but life was extinct before a rescue could be effected. The deceased was highly esteemed throughout the district and leaves a wife and family to mourn his loss.

We regret to announce that Laurence Lawler, engine driver in the service of the D. W. & W. Railway Company, who was knocked off his engine while in motion at Carrickmines some days ago, as already reported, and removed to the Meath Hospital, died there on Thursday from the effects of his injuries. The deceased, who has been over thirty years in the service of the railway company, was a most respectable and industrious man and well known, too, and deservedly popular with the passengers of the Harcourt street branch.

At a recent meeting of the Cork County Council Mr. O'Callaghan moved the suspension of the standing orders to direct attention to the following resolution, which he would propose with regard to the recent system of jury packing in that courthouse: "That we, the Cork County Council, take this our first opportunity of protesting against the infamous practice of jury packing perpetrated in this courthouse at the late winter assizes; that copies be forwarded to the Chief Secretary, the Attorney General and the city and county members of Parliament." The resolution was adopted.

Dr. Edward Clarke Thompson, of Omagh, was returned unopposed as the Parliamentary representative of North Monaghan, succeeding the late Daniel McAleese. Dr. Thompson was nominated in eight papers, all signed by representative and influential electors. In the first paper he was proposed by the Very Rev. Father Keown and seconded by Patrick O'Hare, of Tullygillen, County Monaghan. The assenting electors were Messrs. Owen McNally, Charles McAleese, Matthew Fitzpatrick, John Treanor, Patrick Gormley, Patrick McKenna and James Stowey, all of Monaghan.

The Limerick County Council since the local government act came into operation have been requesting the Irish executive to arrange for having the work of repairing and maintaining the public roads done by direct labor under the supervision of the County Surveyor, and quite recently they addressed the Chief Secretary to receive a deputation on the subject. A letter has been received stating that the Chief Secretary would receive the deputation named—the Earl of Dunraven, Lord Montague, the Chairman, Anthony Mackey, and Robert Coll. Up to the present the work is being done under the contract system.

A special meeting of the Omagh Urban Council was held for the purpose of taking steps to oppose the Gas Company's bill in the next session of Parliament. M. Lynch, J. P., presided. The Chairman said the resolution that would be submitted to them was one in the direction of opposing the bill that was being promoted by the Omagh Gas Company. It was clear to any one who read the newspapers that such matters as the lighting of the town should be in the hands of the governing body of the locality. He then proposed a resolution to the effect that the bill be opposed. Mr. Clements, in seconding the motion, said that no matter what they lighted the town with, electric light or gas, it should be in the hands of the governing body. The resolution was then passed, Mr. Devlin dissenting.

A meeting was held at Kinsale in connection with the proposed memorial to the late Father Cummins, C. C., James O'Neill presiding. John O'Sullivan proposed "That we suggest and recommend that a monument be erected on the grave of the late Father Cummins, and that a tablet be erected in some suitable part of the parish church, Kinsale." He said he knew Father Cummins since he was a child, and he found him always willing to extend a helping hand to every worthy object. As a priest he never tired in looking after the welfare of his people. It would be unworthy of them as Catholics if they allowed his memory to pass away unnoticed. Mr. Driscoll, in seconding the proposition, said the people of that parish would do their part. The resolution was then put to the meeting and carried. A committee was appointed to give effect to the resolution and a subscription list was opened.

Recently an eviction took place in the Thomastown district, near Birr. A farmer named Michael Guinan, of Ballindoran, holding a considerable farm, which had been in his family for many generations, was dispossessed by the Sheriff's substitute, P. Brennan, at the suit of John Walsh, of Broughall, who claimed under

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a mortgage. Resistance appears to have been anticipated, as a force of police was present under the charge of Sergeant Johnston. The official fears were, however, groundless, inasmuch as the evicted family, an old and respectable one, threw no obstacle in the way of the Sheriff's officer, who admittedly carried out his unpleasant duty with a delicacy and consideration that contrasted strongly with the methods of the crowbar brigade of the eighties. Despite the quietness of the proceedings of the day, the authorities have decided to establish a protection post in the immediate neighborhood.

In reference to the case of George Pepper, who was recently returned for trial to the Dublin City Commission on the charge of willfully murdering Mary Duffy at the Coombe, Patrick O'Brien, M. P., has received a letter from a gentleman occupying a prominent position in public life in Clare, and whose veracity can be relied upon, which gives some interesting particulars as to the man's previous career. Pepper is a native of Tulla, County Clare, and some years ago he was committed to a Clare lunatic asylum, and it is believed by those who are well acquainted with him in his native district that at present he is not of sound mind, and certainly he looked very much like as if that were so when in the dock in the Police Court. He left Tulla for Dublin about fifteen months ago, having about \$250 in his possession, but it is believed that he has since spent this money. He has a large number of relatives in the County Clare, and among them are some of the most respectable people of the farming class. Pepper will be tried at the City Commission opening on February 5 next.

"AN OUTCAST."

All the world seemed dark and drear
As my pipe at last refused to cheer
Me in my lonely little cell
Far from the land where I once did dwell.

Full many a moon since last I saw
Those dear little ones; where are they now?
In fancy yet I see them play,
Tho' a decade or two has passed away.

And in the door a form I trace,
In a homespun dress and kerchief lace,
Folded upon her bosom fair,
While her wifely smile bid me welcome there.

Her smiling face, her breath so warm,
As she smooths my hair and drives to scorn
My every ill, my fancied mood,
As she points with pride to our little brood.

How long we looked I never knew,
For the darkness came upon us two;
But as I strove to pierce the gloom
From my dreams, alas, I awoke too soon.

'Twas summer eve and the merry winds
Carried me back to those dear old times,
While from the window I watched at play
A group of children across the way.

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Although there are four other masses besides the nine o'clock at St. Louis Bertrand's church on Sunday, and this mass has always been considered as the Sunday-school children's mass, the attendance of grown people has been increasing so much lately that standing room only seems to be the rule. This increase in attendance is due to the splendid singing of the young girl choir, which since its reorganization by Father Gaffney and under his personal direction has come to be considered one of the finest in the city. Compliments were heard on all sides, especially for the music and singing during the holidays, from those who had the pleasure of being present at these services.

It is with pleasure that we place in our columns the advertisement of the Bryant & Stratton Business College of Louisville. We know this to be a thorough and reliable institution, and every young man or lady who desires a business, shorthand or telegraph course will do well to address the college for its thirty-sixth annual catalogue.

HIBERNIANS. What They Have Been Doing the Past Week—General News Notes.

Hurrah for Cronan.
All should attend the county convention Tuesday night.
James Kenaley's friends were all glad to see him Wednesday night.

There was general rejoicing at the reappearance of genial Mike Ward.
The Ladies' Auxiliary of Watertown, Mass., had its annual concert and ball last night.

The Financial Secretaries of all divisions should have their reports ready for Tuesday night.

There are great hopes that Division 3 will reconsider its determination to leave Hibernian Hall and locate down town.

Treasurer Brady's report showed that Division 4 had played out \$165 for sick benefits during the past three months.

Division 1, of Jeffersonville, will celebrate St. Patrick's day, for which event the members are making special preparations.

The County Board has determined upon a substantial treasury and deserves the earnest co-operation of every member of the order.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Division 14 of Boston held a whist and forty-five tournament Thursday night for the entertainment of their friends.

The Ladies' Auxiliaries of Syracuse have organized a County Board, and the officers are arranging for the formation of two more divisions.

Division 1 of the Richmond borough has arranged for a ball for Monday night, which will be given at the German club rooms in Stapleton, N. Y.

Thomas Langan, Financial Secretary of Division 4, who came near losing his foot some weeks ago, is doing nicely at Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital.

There were a number of eloquent speakers present with Division 4 Wednesday night. They were all welcome and the visitors will now look for a return call.

Division 1 has secured an excellent member in Francis Meagher, the young West End grocer. His initiation by President Dolan was splendidly conducted.

The new ritual of the Ancient Order of Hibernians is in the hands of the printer and will be shortly ready for use. It will be one of the best of its kind used by any organization in the States.

Several of our exchanges are commenting unfavorably upon the official organ, whose appearance many are eagerly looking for. Wait until you see the first issue before saying anything more.

Officer Edward Deely, James Costello and Mat Clare were elected members of Division 4 this week. President Hennessy will arrange for their proper reception and initiation at the next meeting.

Division 2 of Minneapolis welcomed the new year with a pleasing entertainment, which was greatly aided by Rev. Father Cleary and County President Fitzgerald. The prizes will be distributed January 20.

An official organ of the Hibernians is soon to be issued from New Haven, Conn. It will be under the supervision of the National Secretary and will contain news from all parts of the country pertaining to Hibernian affairs.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Norwich, N. Y., celebrated New Year's eve with a largely attended festival and concert in the opera house there. Quite a large number of out-of-town people were present, and it was a grand success socially and financially.

Christmas day the fine piano given away by Sherwood & Co., of Fairbault, Minn., was awarded the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, who received 2,037 out of 4,870 votes cast. Three other societies were voted for, and the ladies have just cause to feel proud of their Christmas present.

There was a large attendance at the meeting of Division 1 last Tuesday night, and much regret was expressed when it was learned that Newton Rogers, the well-known lawyer, was too ill to deliver his Andrew Jackson anniversary address. All are glad that they will have the opportunity of hearing him at the next meeting.

The annual county parade of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held in Lynn, Mass., on April 19, and is expected to be the largest parade of the organization ever held within the limits of old Essex. Divisions will attend from Haverhill, Lawrence, Newburyport, Beverly, Peabody and elsewhere. Two of the county officers, James Ryan, President, and Rev. Arthur J. Teeling, Chaplain, reside in Lynn.

Division 1 of Syracuse is making extensive preparations for the celebration of the anniversary of Ireland's martyred patriot, Robert Emmet. The Catholic Sun says it is expected that this will be the largest and most elaborate observance of March 4 ever held in Syracuse. Some of the best known speakers from out of town will be in attendance and besides the usual musical programme there will be many new features introduced. The occasion will mark the opening of the new Alhambra, which is to be one of the handsomest halls in the country.

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